

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House passed H.R. 2975, to deter and punish terrorist acts in the United States and around the world and to enhance law enforcement investigatory tools.

House Committee ordered reported the Economic Security and Recovery Act of 2001.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages

The Senate was not in session today. It will next meet on Monday, October 15, 2001, at 3:30 p.m.

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

AFGHANISTAN

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on current military operations in Afghanistan from officials of the Office of the Secretary of Defense and Joint Chiefs of Staff.

TOURISM INDUSTRY

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs, Foreign Commerce, and Tourism concluded hearings to examine the financial state of the United States tourism industry, after receiving testimony from Senators Clinton and Kyl; Hawaii Lt. Governor Mazie Hirono, Honolulu; Mayor Anthony A. Williams, Washington, D.C.; J. W. Marriott, Marriott International, Inc., and John Wilhelm, Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees International Union, both of Washington, D.C.; Hal Rosenbluth, Rosenbluth International, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Marilyn Carlson Nelson, Carlson Companies, Inc., Minneapolis, Minnesota; and O. Mason Hurst II, ANC Rental Corporation, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.

HOMELAND SECURITY

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine legislative options to strengthen homeland defense, after receiving testimony from Senators Graham, Bob Smith, and Specter; Representatives Gilchrest, Harman, and Thornberry; Charles G. Boyd and Stephen E. Flynn, both of the Council on Foreign Relations, Lee H. Hamilton, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, and Thomas H. Stanton, National Academy of Public Administration, all of Washington, D.C.; and Gen. Barry McCaffrey, USA (Ret.), BR McCaffrey Associates, Inc., Alexandria, Virginia, former Director of National Drug Control Policy,

TERRORISM PREVENTION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism and Government Information concluded hearings to examine the role of technology in preventing the entry of terrorists in the United States, after receiving testimony from Glenn A. Fine, Inspector General, and James W. Ziglar, Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, both of the Department of Justice; Mary Ryan, Assistant Secretary of State for Consular Affairs; Steven Camarota, Center for Immigration Studies, and David Ward, American Council on Education, both of Washington, D.C.; Greg Spadorcio and Tony Doonan, both of the Automated Fingerprint Identification Systems/NEC Technologies, Inc., Gold River, California; and Paul Collier, Biometrics Foundation, Gaithersburg, Maryland.